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Discuss State Promotional Plans Jan. 18

Maine's promotional program in all its phases will be exposed to intense public scrutiny by a panel of ten leading businessmen and public officials at the 32nd Annual Meeting of the State of Maine Publicity Bureau in the Hotel Eastland, Portland, next Monday afternoon.

Entitled "The Spotlight on Maine's Promotion," the panel will examine the various promotional activities which benefit the major categories of business in this State, discuss how these businesses are benefited and make suggestions as to expanding or increasing such benefits.

Publicity Bureau leaders stated they believe that with the nation's economy moving into an era of keener competition than has existed for possibly 15 years, the time is opportune for a searching public examination into the what, why and how of Maine's total promotional program. Activities of the Maine Publicity Bureau, Maine Development Commission and Maine State Chamber of Commerce will be included in the discussion, since these are coordinated to make up the bulk of Maine's total promotional effort.

Participating in the panel will be Horace W. Chapman, Bangor hotelman, for food and lodgings; Kenneth C. Tipper, Oakland, president of Associated Industries of Maine, for manufacturing; Frank J. Leahy, formerly of Portland and now of Bangor, for retail sales; Charles L. Hildreth, Portland, for wholesaling and distributing; Francis C. Spiller, Sanford, for the automotive industry; Frank W. Proulx, Portland, for the professions; Emory L. Mallett, Farmington, for public utilities; Walter L. Spillholz, Portland, for the service industries; Ralph Irving, Ellsworth City Manager, for municipalities; and Ernest H. Johnson, State Tax Assessor, for State finances.

Arthur F. Maxwell, Biddeford banker and president of the Maine Publicity Bureau, will preside at the panel session, as well as the annual business meeting, scheduled for 2 p. m.

BRYANT POND MAN SPENDS WEEK'S LEAVE IN JAPAN

Army Pfc Herman P. Bean, son of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Bean of Bryant Pond, recently spent a seven-day rest and recuperation leave in Kobe, Japan.

Normally stationed in Korea with the 65th Infantry Regiment, Bean stayed at one of Japan's best resort hotels and enjoyed many luxuries unobtainable on the war-torn peninsula.

DANCE ASSN. TO MEET JAN. 14

The Oxford County Square Dance Association will hold their business meeting and election of officers on Thursday, January 14th, at 8:30 p. m. at the Livermore Grange Hall in Livermore. The meeting will be followed by square and contra dancing. The callers will be various members of the association—Harold and Marie Kearney of Farmington, Stuart Record of Livermore Falls, Alice Dudley of Bryant Pond as well as others who may be present.

Anyone interested in square, folk or contra dancing is invited to attend.

Refreshments will be served by the Youth Committee of the Livermore Grange.

The Week in Oxford County

Dana M. Simmons is the newly elected principal of Stephens High School, Rumford. Mr. Simmons has been principal of Buckport High School for 10 years. He will succeed Stanley E. Kitchin who is retiring January 22.

Northeast Oxford County Fish and Game Protective Association met last Wednesday evening at Mt. Sugarloaf Grange Hall in Dixfield. The membership drive was inaugurated.

It was reported by Howard I. McDonald, chairman of the committee on industry, at the South Paris Chamber of Commerce Monday evening that it is expected construction to start on the new South Paris Tannery the middle of April.

Stanley F. Cummings, 33, a native of South Paris, was fatally in-

SMALL SCHOOLS PUBLIC SPEAKING LEAGUE TO MEET MONDAY AT BRYANT POND

Woodstock High School will be host to the annual meeting of the Small Schools Public Speaking League, Monday evening, Jan. 18, at 7 o'clock. This includes Dixfield, Canton, Buckfield, Oxford, West Paris and Woodstock high schools.

Ray Gordon C. Newell of South Paris will give the opening address on "Sincerity in Public Speaking and Dramatics." The program will include introduction by Harold Perham, president of the League, opening address by Mr. Newell, speaking by students of the different high schools, music, refreshments and a brief business session.

The committee in charge is Wayne Lago, principal of Woodstock High School and vice-president of the League, and Mrs. Avis Herriek, speech director of Woodstock High School.

SONG RECITAL AT WILLIAM BINGHAM GYM TONIGHT

A song recital will be presented at the Wm. Bingham Gym tonight by George Alfred Lowe, baritone, with Walter Marcuse at the piano. Mr. Lowe is a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music in Boston and has appeared many times in concerts throughout New England. At present he is soloist at the historic Arlington Street Church and Temple Israel of Boston.

Tonight's program will include selections by Handel, Scarlatti, Beethoven, Mozart, Schubert, and Tschalkowsky. The Music Appreciation Group of Bethel are sponsoring this concert with the cooperation of Gould Academy.

WOOD CONVERSION MOVIE ON BETHEL PTA PROGRAM NEXT WEDNESDAY NIGHT

At the meeting of the Bethel Parent-Teacher Association at the Crescent Park School next Wednesday evening an interesting short movie on Wood Conversion will be shown. J. E. Corbett of Portland, who presents the pictures, will also give a talk on that subject and demonstration of various products.

THE M. E. C. HOLDS POT-LUCK SUPPER

The M. E. C. held a pot luck supper at the IOOF Hall, Monday night. Norma Jodrey, the vice-president, presided over the business meeting in the absence of the president.

It was voted to sponsor a project for the polo drive as was done last year. This will be a card party with a market basket and prizes solicited from the merchants. The date for the party will be announced next week. Bridge, whist, canasta, and "63" will be played. Committees appointed were: Prizes, Norma Jodrey; Refreshments, Elsie Poore, Maude Hunt, Dora Ford, Gladys Guernsey; Cards and Tables, Katherine Bennett, Blanche Berryman, Cora Bennett, Eleanor Bean, Jane Kneeland.

It was reported that \$30.05 was realized on the Thanksgiving basket. The next meeting will be Feb. 8th, place to be announced later.

ELEANOR GORDON GUILD

Twenty members and guests attended the membership meeting of the Eleanor Gordon Guild at the Methodist Church Wednesday evening. A pot luck supper preceded the meeting. Florence Bailey had devotions. President Margaret Davis told about the organization, its aims and purposes. It was announced that Guild members are invited to a tea at the home of Mrs. Clayton Fossett Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 27. It was voted that each member earn at least one dollar for the Polo Drive with \$20 as the goal. Entertainment was in charge of Hilda Brown and Connie Wing.

REGULAR ARMY MAN TO SEEK COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S SEAT

James Lassiter, of Albany, retired regular army man, announced he would seek nomination as one of the county commissioners, in the Republican primaries this year.

Mr. Lassiter is well known in the county, particularly in Civil Defense and American Legion circles. He is now District Commander of the American Legion. He retired as a Major in the regular Army after serving in the Infantry for 21 years.

During his army life he served in stations throughout the world and was an active participant in World War Two. He was seriously wounded in action during the invasion of Normandy in northern France and it was as a result of these wounds that he retired in May 1950.

Mr. Lassiter and his wife, the former Rosaline Morrill, a native of Bethel, settled in Albany where they own property. Mr. Lassiter is a native of Ohio and entered the Regular Army following his graduation.

During the occupation of Europe, after the surrender of Germany, he served some time as an official in the Military Government of Austria.

Mr. Lassiter's interest in government affairs, coupled with the time to devote to interests now that he is retired were the main factors in his decision to seek public office.

CPS BASKETBALLERS TO MEET BRYANT POND GRAMMAR SCHOOL NEXT WED.

The Crescent Park basketball squad makes another start on Wednesday, January 20, at 4:30, with Woodstock Grammar School as opponents. This will be the last home game for the month of January, as the team will be playing return games at Oxford and Bryant Pond.

The regular line-up of Jodrey and Smith at forwards, Capt. Roberts at center, and Murphy and Gunther at guards will probably start for the Bethel club.

The presence of the CPS cheerleaders, Jane Kneeland, Kaye Blake, Roberta Heath, Dawn Christie and Charlene Philbrick, should make a spirited afternoon, as the CPS Terrors go after another victory.

IN AND ABOUT BETHEL

Francis Noyes is ill at his home on Vernon Street.

The WSCS will hold a food sale at the Methodist Church on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 23.

The Guild of the Congregational Church met at the home of Mrs. Frank Nary Wednesday evening.

Bethel Lodge, A F and A M, will observe past masters' night at their meeting this evening, following a 6:30 supper.

The Happy Herdmen 4-H Club held a parent's meeting and supper at the Legion home Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Anne Mason, Rumford, is substituting for Mrs. Ruth Hastings in the fifth grade at the Crescent Park School.

Mrs. Roland Gilnes has been a patient a week at the New England Medical Center, Boston, where she went for observation.

Bobby Saunders has returned to school after being confined three weeks with a badly burned eyeball.

Mrs. Bernard Beaulac and son of Berlin are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick O'Brien.

Karl Stearns, who with his sister, Mrs. Gwen Stearns, went to St. Petersburg, Fla., recently, is ill and is under treatment at the St. Petersburg Medical Clinic.

Mrs. E. F. Ireland will be hostess to the Ladies Club, Jan. 21, assisted by Mrs. H. P. Austin and Miss Frances Hodgdon.

Mrs. Maude Bean has closed her home for the winter. She will spend the next few months with relatives in Maine, Massachusetts and Connecticut and will return in the spring.

At the PTA meeting Wednesday, Jan. 20, at 8 p. m. the Wood Conversion Company will show a film, "Happy Houses"—color and sound—which is featured on the "Do It Yourself" program.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Fomett entertained the Couples Club last Saturday evening at their home. A pot-luck supper followed by an evening of games led by Mrs. Robert Keniston was enjoyed.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Keniston, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Evans Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Dock, Mr. and Mrs. Earlon Paine, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Angove, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Saunders, Mrs. Robert York, the host and hostess.

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Survey Comm. Reports On School Costs

At the School Survey Committee meeting last week some members of the committee gave reports of various conversations which they had overheard, or taken part in, relative to the fact that the elementary tuition pupils were not paying their way, particularly their proportionate cost of school buildings. After hearing these reports the committee decided this lack of understanding on the part of some of the townspeople was great enough to justify the insertion of a special article of explanation in the Citizen. If the people have been misinformed, the committee felt it had an obligation to present the facts to them.

The present tuition charge is \$108.00 per year or \$3.00 per week per pupil. Last year it was only \$2.00 per week or \$72.00 for one year. The reason for this increase was the change in the State formula by which the tuition is figured. This formula (as simply as possible) is as follows: The total of the costs of teachers' salaries, fuel, janitors, books, and supplies, utilities, building insurance, and 6% of the insured valuation of school buildings is divided by the average number of pupils. This gives the per capita cost. Conveyance costs are not figured because each town pays its own bill.

When this formula was revised it was done with the thought that some tuition pupils were possibly not paying their proportionate cost of the school buildings. Therefore the above item for insured valuation of school buildings was set at the figure of 6%. At present this 6% of insured valuation of Bethel school buildings is approximately \$9,400.00. The average number of pupils last year was 520. In dividing we get about \$18.00 per pupil which amount can be considered as paying for building costs only.

To get a total picture suppose we estimate an average of 45 or 50 pupils (it could be more or less) at the present rate of \$18 per year. This means \$810.00 per year for buildings from tuition pupils only.

The life of a building is debatable, but 50 years is often mentioned. Of course, we cannot figure what tuition will be that far ahead, but \$10 for 50 years is over \$4,000 and that ought to build three class-rooms when two is ample for more than the 45 pupils. Therefore, it can be clearly seen that tuition pupils are more than paying their way even when we consider building costs.

Also at the present time there are 47 tuition pupils in a total enrollment of 517. The three year average of 1949-51 was 60 tuition pupils in an average enrollment of about 485.

These 47 tuition pupils are in nine grades, an average of slightly more than 5 per grade.

Bethel received over \$4,700.00 from elementary tuition in 1953.

Fact No. 1—Tuition pupils are paying their own way in all respects.

Fact No. 2—Overcrowding is primarily a result of the great increase in the number of resident pupils.

Fact No. 3—The total exclusion of tuition pupils—average of 5 per grade—would do little to relieve the total classroom situation being caused by entering classes of 60 to 70 and over.

Fact No. 4—If the tuition pupils were excluded the \$4,700 now received for tuition would certainly be missed.

We have tried to keep this explanation as simple as possible so that everyone may understand it. However, if there are those who do not, you should plan to present your questions, on this or other topics, to the Survey Committee when it holds an open meeting in February on a date to be announced later.

BOY SCOUT REPORT

The meeting on Thursday evening, Jan. 7, was opened by Richard Saunders, with the Scout Laws and Oath. Some boys paid their registration fee and dues were collected. Then we played a game of Snatch the Bacon and a game of Name A Bird. Our guest speakers were Sonny Bean of Gilead, who talked about Korea and Ronald Hannan of Saugus, Mass., who talked about Germany. Gene Haggan closed the meeting with the Scout Benediction.—Donald Christie, Scribe.

TWO MORE INJURED

The fact that the highway turn on Route 2 near Hazen Lowell's is a danger spot gets more emphatic as accidents continue to occur at this point.

Last Friday a two-year-old girl of Brantford, Ont., Canada, suffered a fractured hip when the car in which she was a passenger and driven by her uncle, James Buckley, left the road, apparently out of control from an icy spot and hit a utility pole. Mr. Buckley lost front teeth and several stitches were required for cuts on his lips. Others in the car, Mr. and Mrs. David Buckley and Paul Buckley, received bruises.

MARCH OF DIMES ACTIVITIES

The Bethel committee of The March of Dimes announces the following activities for the 1954 campaign to date.

There will be a tag day on Saturday the 16th.

On Thursday the 21st the American Legion will hold their regular Beano night in the Legion Hall, proceeds from this event to be used in the fight against polio.

The MEC's propose sponsoring their usual project this year including a card party. Date and details will be announced next week.

A Silver Cake Waltz will be held at the Newry Grange Hall Saturday night, Jan. 16th.

VA OFFICIAL TO VISIT BETHEL ON THIRD TUESDAYS

In order to better serve veterans and their dependents, Roland A. Tardiff, of the State Division of Veterans Affairs will be at the Bethel Selectmen's Office the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 2 to 4 p. m. to help and advise veterans and complete any forms and any other problems that they may have, visits to Bethel will begin on next Tuesday, Jan. 19.

BETHEL SOLDIER ENJOYS LEAVE IN JAPAN

Army Pfc Collins R. Morgan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Morgan, of Bethel, recently spent a seven-day rest and recuperation leave in Kobe, Japan.

Normally stationed in Korea with the 72nd Ordnance Depot Company, Morgan stayed at one of Japan's best resort hotels and enjoyed many luxuries unobtainable on the war-torn peninsula.

OXFORD COUNTY 4-H LEADERS ASSOCIATION

The Oxford County Leaders' Association met Tuesday evening, Jan. 5, at the Gould Academy Home Economics Cottage in Bethel. Thirty-one leaders, assistant leaders and junior leaders were present.

Following the business meeting, Miss Shirley Bartlett, of East Bethel, showed slides and told about her trip to National 4-H Club Camp in Washington, D. C., last spring.

Kenneth C. Lovejoy, State 4-H Club Leader, was guest speaker at the meeting. Mr. Lovejoy discussed project account forms with the leaders and brought out many helpful points.

The next meeting of the Association will be held on February 2 at the home of Mrs. Lena Mae Thurston, of Norway, leader of the Norway Center Whizzers 4-H Club.

MRS. HARRY BROWN

Mrs. Maude Brown, wife of Harry Brown of North Waterford, died last Friday at the CMG Hospital, Lewiston. She had been a patient there six weeks.

Born at Albany, March 6, 1882, she was the daughter of Parker and Mary Wardwell Dresser. A graduate of Oxford High School, she had taught in Albany school and had also been a superintendent there for nine years. She served on the Waterford School Board.

Survivors include her husband, two sons, Earl and Raynor, two stepsons, Winfield Brown, Altamonte Springs, Fla., and Lawrence Brown of South Portland; eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the Congregational Church, North Waterford, Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Dr. Wilbur I. Bull and Rev. Herbert Houghton officiated. Entombment, Riverside Cemetery, South Paris.

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Cold Spell Now Ending

According to weather forecasters the continued cold stretch which began last Thursday will end tonight, probably with snowfall. This Thursday morning was the coldest so far this season, with readings locally as low as 25 below. During the week this section has fared better than other sections of the East. With a cold light snow falling on several days, there was little wind to cause drifting.

JOHN CARTER A CANDIDATE FOR SECOND SENATE TERM

Contrary to reports which have gained some circulation in this vicinity State Senator John H. Carter of Bethel is a candidate for the Republican nomination for that office in the June primary election. Before election to the State Senate two years ago, Senator Carter had served two terms in the House of Representatives from the local district.

"YESTERDAY AND TODAY" MEETS FAVOR WITH LOCAL READING PUBLIC

Mrs. Erma Thurston Young, whose book, "Yesterday and Today," was published last month, is receiving many favorable comments on the work. Friends predict even wider interest as distribution increases. Copies are now on sale at Bosserman's Pharmacy and the Bethel Spa, and in Rumford and Norway stores, where there has been considerable demand. Distribution in Maine's city stores is now underway.

EXTENSION LEADERS TO STUDY FASHION ACCESSORIES

Fashion Accessories that help to keep you in style and spread your wardrobe will be the subject of training classes held in the county for each clothing leader. These classes, which will be held in four areas of the county, will include fashion accessories that can be made at home as well as those purchased.

Clothing leaders attending from this area are expected to be: Mrs. Cleo Billings, Woodstock; Mrs. Ruth Briggs, Canton Point; Mrs. Keith Ring, East Bethel; Mrs. Georgia Haines, Bethel; Mrs. Herbert Morton, Newry; Mrs. Arline Bernier, Upton; Mrs. Rachel MacKay, Bethel.

This meeting will be held at the Bethel Methodist Church, Jan. 19.

BRYANT POND MAN MARRIED AT CAMP CHAFFEE, ARIZ.

Word has been received of the wedding of Miss Margaret Helen Dalbey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Dalbey, 805 Hummel Ave., Lemoyne, Pa., and 2nd Lt. Richard Herman Cole, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole of Bryant Pond, at a candlelight service, December 18, at 7:30 in the Army Chapel at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas, by Chaplain 1st Lt. J. Howard H. Schaar, using the double ring ceremony. Lt. Schaar is a personal friend of the groom.

There was the traditional wedding music and a tenor soloist sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly." The chapel was decorated with Christmas greens and roses.

The bride was gown in satin with veil and mits and carried a white Bible with miniature mums. The matron of honor and best man were Lt. and Mrs. Myron Dean of Dover-Foxcroft, Maine. Lt. Dean is stationed at Camp Chaffee.

The bride was graduated from Lemoyne High School, attended Dickinson College, Carlisle, where she was a member of Chi Omega Sorority. She is a graduate of the School of Laboratory Technology at the Abington Memorial Hospital and a registered medical technologist. She is a member of the Lutheran Church.

The groom was graduated from Woodstock High School, and University of Maine. He is a member of several clubs and fraternities in his home state.

The couple went to Oklahoma on their honeymoon. They will reside at 1814 North "D" 10th St., Fort Smith, Arkansas, while Lt. Cole is stationed at Camp Chaffee.

Baked Bean Supper

Odd Fellows Dining Room
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The Insect Hordes

Fifteen years ago hordes of grasshoppers invaded the growing fields, the country-side and the communities of an area of Southern California. Crops were a total loss, trees were denuded, shrubbery killed. The hoppers crawled on masses across the land, billions of them moving like a stream of lava, consuming everything in their path. The people of the area were mobilized. They fought the destructive insects with burning oil, garden tools and brooms. It was a modern-day version of the locust plagues and the terrifying marches of the ants out of the pages of history.

But in the span of 15 years science and American industry have almost caught up with the insect scourge. Today such a grasshopper invasion could be blotted out by newly developed insecticides sprayed from low-flying planes. In fact, insecticides and techniques for using them have begun to raise farm production—both field crops and livestock—by an astonishing amount. The available new chemicals and those in the process of development, however, still have a big job to do in the control of insects.

Winning Battle

Probably few people realize the extent of man's battle against the insect hordes. Man could still lose the battle, although in the past decade, thanks to America's chemical industries he has definitely gained the upper hand. The insects have been on earth from the beginning. They outnumber man overwhelmingly, they outweigh all the animal life on the globe, and not a single species ever has been eradicated.

There are 4,000 insect species and 2,000 different ticks and mites at work in the U. S. A., multiplying, destroying vegetation and livestock, killing human beings, and generally making a costly nuisance of themselves. In 1932, they destroyed \$1 billion worth of crops in the U. S. Their capabilities are almost beyond belief. Dr. Pont entomologists calculate that the accumulated production springing from a single pair of flies could, in a few months if nothing interfered, cover the earth with a blanket of flies three feet thick!

Key to Plenty

Pond to nourish the world's growing population is a tremendous world problem. Scientists working in America's great chemical plants believe that chemistry—and chemistry alone—holds the key to plenty for all mankind. In recent years they have produced evidence to bolster their beliefs—fertilizers made from inexhaustible chemical elements, insecticides which further boost farm productivity, and processes and techniques for preserving food stuff which only a few years ago was a perishable value.

The boll weevil has destroyed as much as \$1 billion worth of cotton and nutritious cotton seed all a year in America alone. The Hessian fly, which bug and other pests prey on America's wheat crop have been destroying millions of bushels of wheat annually. Corn earworms, borers and other insects have cut drastically into the productivity of the midwestern corn belt. Production of alfalfa, potatoes, fruits, vegetables, grains of all kinds and livestock has been crippled by the insect pests. We have the figures for America. For the whole world, the insect horde on food production are staggering.

Great Vision

Regardless of farm policy, of politics, of so-called land reform in the backward areas of the world, the productivity of an acre of land—in America, in China, India, Africa, Europe or the Middle East—is of great importance. Whatever makes it possible to double the production on each of the two-and-a-half billion acres now growing the world's food is a greater boon to human progress than all the governmental economic blueprints ever drafted.

American industry, because it is free, competitive and dynamic, thus becomes a great world force as it brings forth from its experimental laboratories the methods

DALE CARNEGIE

★ AUTHOR OF "HOW TO STOP WORRYING AND START LIVING" ★

S. H. LAWRENCE, M. D., 156½ Screenland Drive, Burbank, California, says that after he graduated from high school he became a college addict, a chronic collegian. At the end of ten years of education he decided to make the break which must inevitably come and finally divorced himself from college.

He went to New York City and got a job with a research organization. Here he was working with some of the best scientific minds in the country, and it didn't take him long to develop a real inferiority complex.

The men there had developed the policy of asking each other to watch over their departments for occasional periods while they were away. He began to worry for fear they would ask him to do this. Then he would be asked questions that he couldn't answer and his ignorance would be brought to everyone's attention. He worked many unnecessary hours just so he wouldn't become indebted to anyone. Many nights he couldn't fall asleep because the thought kept running through his mind: "I hope no one asks me to cover for him tomorrow."

Finally he took stock of himself, and decided that if this went on he would never learn anything new and he would in addition become a chronic worrier. So he started to accept strange situations as a challenge. He volunteered to watch over the other men's work for them. He found himself in many strange situations and he was asked many questions he could not answer, but no one seemed to take that seriously. He stopped worrying and greatly to his satisfaction he found himself popular with the men. Soon he was broadening his knowledge and fields of interest amazingly.



CARNEGIE

How Strong Are We?

As a new year begins, it is the part of wisdom for a nation, like a business, to review its assets and its liabilities.

On the credit side, the United States has an unrivaled standard of living. Our men and women enjoy wages and working conditions superior to those existing anywhere else. The tide of goods and services that flows endlessly along the American production and distribution line staggers the imagination. Materially speaking, business, agriculture, and labor are doing well.

We have a political system which comes as close to being responsive to the wishes of the people as any one can conceive of. In the last presidential election the people removed from power a party which had been in control for 20 years and put another in its place. In some future election the party now in power will be replaced. But no heads roll; no purges are held; the losers are not liquidated. All are free to air their views.

We are no longer actually at war, unsatisfactory as the Korean situation is. If recent reports are correct, our military strength and that of Western Europe have shown remarkable improvement. The chance of another world war is less than it was.

So much for the credit side of the ledger. What of the debit? The most disheartening domestic development of recent times has been the growing dependence of millions of people on government, mainly the federal government, to provide services and benefits that, if a free system is to be preserved, must be provided by the individual.

What the decision will be depends entirely upon our moral strength. Will we welcome policies and programs that are in accord with the philosophy of maximum freedom for all—and will we accept the temporary financial dislocations that such policies and programs may create? It will not be easy to end the era of do-all, give-all government. But, if the tradition and ideals to which we all pay lip service, and which have made us great and strong are to be preserved, it is as necessary as the air we breathe.

WORTH REPEATING

"The Taft-Hartley Law has brought about a greater degree of industrial peace than anything we have tried since our Government's entry into the labor relations field. It preserves the right of individual employees and protects the interests of the public in labor disputes. Certainly a law which does this is not only beneficial to all employees—union and non-union—but to the public as well."—William J. Grede, President, Grede Foundries, Milwaukee, Wis.

"Manufacturing, which employs about a half of the total labor force in this country, has about 20 per cent of its total employment in non-technical or non-scientific occupations. These one-fifth of all the workers employed in manufacturing are in positions having to do with people much more than with things. Many major business problems are human rather than mechanical and industry functions best when human problems and tensions are least."—Earl Bunting, Managing Director, NAM.

"Too many Americans have mistaken the halting of inflation and the stabilization of prices on a high plateau as omens of a depression. They are talking about one, and that is bad. They are undermining confidence for no reason at all. They are unwittingly playing the Soviet game."—News, Indianapolis, Ind.

"In this century, the Federal government has moved into many fields simply because local governments lacked vitality. There were many jobs which needed doing, and the Federal government took them over. But I think we have to recognize that we have there gotten into a vicious circle. Local governments lose even more vitality as they lose their functions and responsibilities to the Federal government."—Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D. Minn.).

"The only time when it can seriously be contended that the 'annual improvement factor' is noninflationary is in a period when output is predominantly civilian, rather than military, which would be, of course, a period when prices and wages were uncontrolled. But at such a time there is a simpler and more equitable mechanism for passing along the benefits of increased 'productivity'—namely, the traditional device of reducing prices."—Springfield (Mass.) Union.

At your county Extension Service office are headquartered the county agricultural agent, the county home demonstration agent, the county 4-H club agent, and the secretary. They're all ready to serve you with the information on up-to-date farming, homemaking, and 4-H club methods.

My PET PEEVE

By W. Scott Boyd

IF IT WASN'T for the fact that most of us forget ourselves once in a while and act like human beings, this old world would be a mighty dull place in which to pass an average day.

Take my sister Sue, for example. Sue's husband owns one of the nicer department stores in town. This is fine for Sue, for she can go down to the store after closing hours, browse around and take her pick of the merchandise.

I have a sort of a different problem with my wife. She starts out to buy a loaf of bread and a pound of butter and comes back with enough supplies to stock a Yukon cabin for the whole winter season—"a few things" she remembered she "might" need.

The little woman actually has winning ways, tho. She wins every time. Recently, we had the kitchen rather disarranged due to the fact that plumbers and carpenters had been working about the house. She calls, "Dear, can you leave the office long enough to come home and move a couple of things for me?" It was one of my busiest days, but I didn't have the heart (or the courage) to argue.

After two hours of moving furniture hither and yon, accumulating blisters, I start to leave and she breaks my heart.

"Thanks, dear, now I can sweep and dust. Conscience wouldn't have let me make the bridge club to-night with the house in such a mess."

I just know we have more fun than monkeys do, don't you?

strength. Will we welcome policies and programs that are in accord with the philosophy of maximum freedom for all—and will we accept the temporary financial dislocations that such policies and programs may create? It will not be easy to end the era of do-all, give-all government. But, if the tradition and ideals to which we all pay lip service, and which have made us great and strong are to be preserved, it is as necessary as the air we breathe.

Nineteen fifty-four will be a year to test whether the American people will have what it takes to maintain themselves as independent individuals.

"The Taft-Hartley Law has brought about a greater degree of industrial peace than anything we have tried since our Government's entry into the labor relations field. It preserves the right of individual employees and protects the interests of the public in labor disputes. Certainly a law which does this is not only beneficial to all employees—union and non-union—but to the public as well."—William J. Grede, President, Grede Foundries, Milwaukee, Wis.

"Manufacturing, which employs about a half of the total labor force in this country, has about 20 per cent of its total employment in non-technical or non-scientific occupations. These one-fifth of all the workers employed in manufacturing are in positions having to do with people much more than with things. Many major business problems are human rather than mechanical and industry functions best when human problems and tensions are least."—Earl Bunting, Managing Director, NAM.

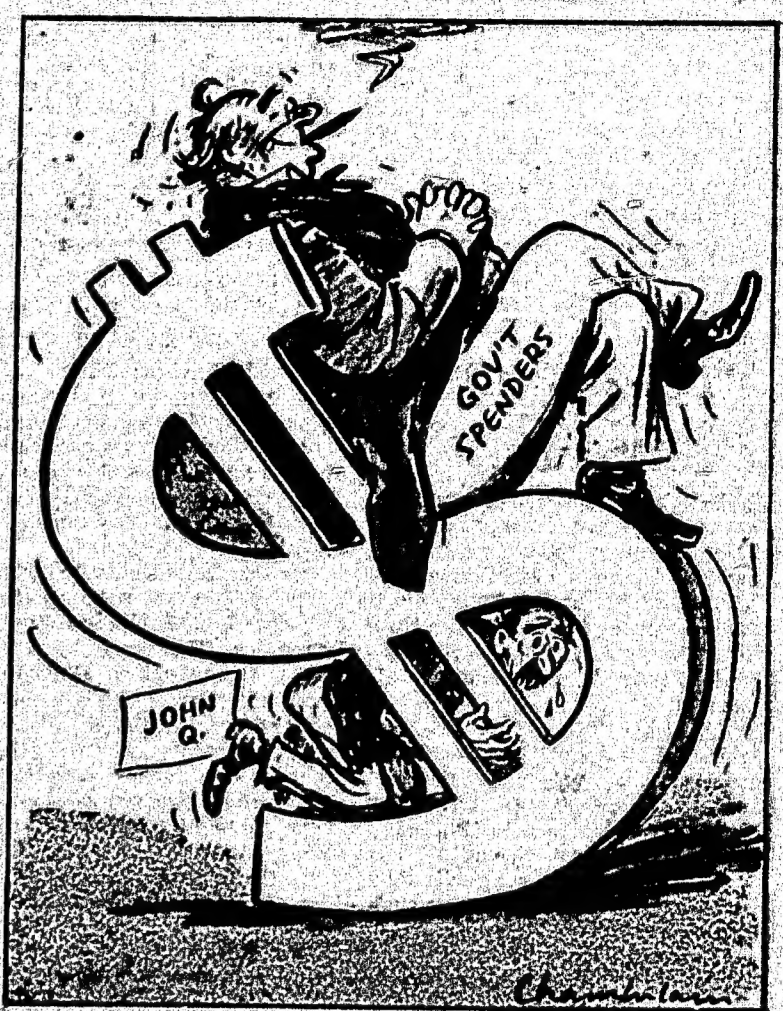
"Too many Americans have mistaken the halting of inflation and the stabilization of prices on a high plateau as omens of a depression. They are talking about one, and that is bad. They are undermining confidence for no reason at all. They are unwittingly playing the Soviet game."—News, Indianapolis, Ind.

"In this century, the Federal government has moved into many fields simply because local governments lacked vitality. There were many jobs which needed doing, and the Federal government took them over. But I think we have to recognize that we have there gotten into a vicious circle. Local governments lose even more vitality as they lose their functions and responsibilities to the Federal government."—Sen. Hubert Humphrey (D. Minn.).

"The only time when it can seriously be contended that the 'annual improvement factor' is noninflationary is in a period when output is predominantly civilian, rather than military, which would be, of course, a period when prices and wages were uncontrolled. But at such a time there is a simpler and more equitable mechanism for passing along the benefits of increased 'productivity'—namely, the traditional device of reducing prices."—Springfield (Mass.) Union.

At your county Extension Service office are headquartered the county agricultural agent, the county home demonstration agent, the county 4-H club agent, and the secretary. They're all ready to serve you with the information on up-to-date farming, homemaking, and 4-H club methods.

NATIONAL CONTOUR CHAIR



4 Sisters Hit by Polio in 10 Days



Within ten days last May and June these four children of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Hartley were stricken by polio at their farm home near Hudson, N. C. All except one were placed in iron lungs when they arrived at Asheville Orthopedic Hospital where March of Dimes funds paid for care for all four. Five-year-old Beth Hartley was stricken first. Then Mary Sue, 7; Doris Kay, 10; and Peggy Ann, 12. This year's March of Dimes will be held during the entire month of January.

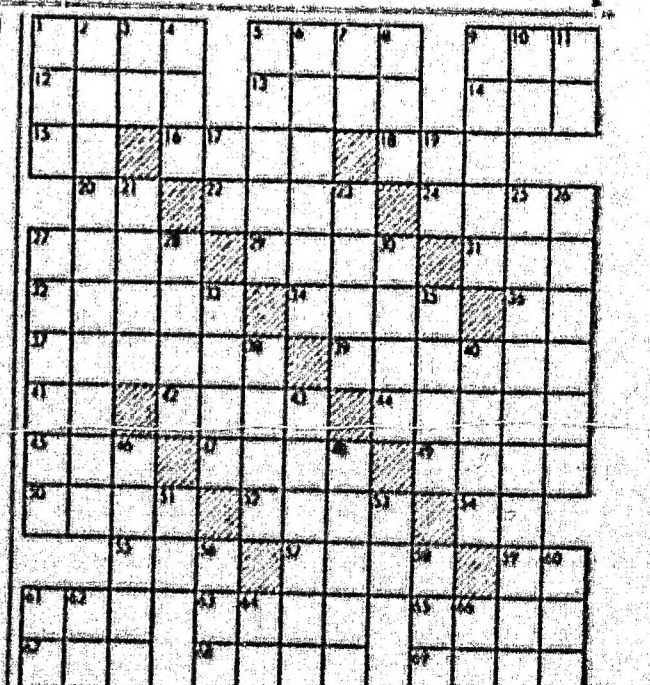
Your brain budget

1. Do you remember what President Eisenhower's popular vote was in 1952? (a) 23,000,000; (b) 30,000,000; (c) 33,000,000.
2. Panama recently celebrated its 50th anniversary as a nation. It was formerly a part of what country? (a) Mexico; (b) Colombia; (c) Uruguay.

ANSWER

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

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BRYANT POND

— Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres. —

Mrs. Gertrude Gaugler was the guest of honor at a surprise show, given at the home of Mrs. Eva Mills, Wednesday night, Jan. 3. This was arranged by the Universalist group, including the Church School, of which Mrs. Gaugler is a teacher, with Mrs. Mildred Westcott, committee chairman in charge. She was presented several gifts, including a nice housecoat. Games and contests were conducted and refreshments served by the hostess, assisted by several ladies. Those present were Mrs. Fannie Cummings, Mrs. Evelyn Bean, Mrs. Addelyn Mann, Mrs. Vera McInnis, Mrs. Beatrice Farnum, Mrs. Clarice Denney, Mrs. Evelyn Farnum, Mrs. Bessie House, Mrs. Lois Howe, Mrs. Elsie Cole, Mrs. Juanita Allen, Mrs. Elaine Packard, Mrs. Eva S. Twitchell, Mrs. Lizzie Russ, Mrs. Alice Dudley, Mrs. Edith Abbott, Mrs. Gaugler, Mrs. Westcott and Mrs. Mills. Those contributing but unable to attend, were Mrs. Rena Howe, Mrs. Anne Jordan, Mrs. Miriam McAllister, Mrs. Martha Warner, Mrs. Florence Warner, Mrs. Bertha Davis, Mrs. Frances Farnum, Mrs. Myrtle Hayden, Mrs. Gertrude Andrews, Mrs. Hazel Brooks, Mrs. Annie Crockett, Mrs. Etta Day, Mrs. Ruth Tyler, Miss Mary Bartlett, Mrs. Abby Dudley, Mrs. Flora Cole, Mrs. Ida Farnum, and Mrs. Elizabeth Whitman.

Mrs. Kathleen Pligree is working for Mrs. Claude Cushman, who is improving from a fractured leg, sustained in a fall, Dec. 18.

Raymond Dunham, Kingston, R. I., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunham. He is recovering from injuries received in an automobile accident.

Mrs. Melvin Feltmate and daughter, Mrs. Emma Feltmate, New Glasgow, N. S., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Hayden and son, Ernest.

A stated meeting of Jefferson Chapter, OES, will be held Friday night, Jan. 15, with refreshments served by Mrs. Elsie Cole, Mrs. Martha Warner, Mrs. Arline MacKillop, and Mrs. Edith Abbott. This is not the annual meeting, and entertainment will be in charge of Raynor Littlefield and Charles Day.

Franklin Grange will have a clean-up party at the next meeting Saturday night, January 16, with each member invited to bring cleaning materials; mop and pail. Also something for a tasting party after the meeting.

Judith Grover Tent, No. 17, Bryant Pond, held their regular meeting at the home of Bessie Andrews. An oyster stew supper was served at 6:30 by Mrs. Edith Hathaway and Mrs. Arline MacKillop. After the supper, the following officers were installed by Mrs. Helen Ring, past president, with her guide, Mrs. Alice Wardwell, past president.

President, Mrs. Edith Hathaway; Senior Vice President, Mrs. Bessie House; Junior Vice President, Mrs. Alice Farnum; Chaplain, Mrs. Mildred Dunham; Patriotic Instructor, Mrs. Arline MacKillop; Treasurer, Mrs. Bessie Andrews; Council Members—No. 1, Mrs. Helen Ring; No. 2, Mrs. Ruth Dunham; No. 3, Mrs. Alice Wardwell; Secretary, Mrs. Verna Swan; Press Correspondent, Mrs. Alice Wardwell; Musician, Mrs. Mildred Dunham; Guard, Miss Phyllis Hathaway; Assistant Guard, Mrs. Alberta Scribner; Color Bearers—No. 1, Miss Clara Whitman; No. 2, Mrs. Ruth Dunham; No. 3, Mrs. Beatrice Farnum; No. 4, Mrs. Alice Wardwell.

The new president, Edith Hathaway, presented the installing officer and her guide each with a gift in behalf of the tent. It was voted to buy a flag and present it to the Girl Scouts of Bryant Pond. The mystery package was won by Clara Whitman. Refreshment committee for next meeting: Mrs. Edith Hathaway and Mrs. Arline Mac-

WOODSTOCK HIGH

On Tuesday, Jan. 5, Mr. Gray, a game warden came and spoke to us on the causes of the hunting fatalities in our state last year, and what we could do about safety in the woods this year. After the talk we saw a movie showing what one town did to help prevent these accidents. We wish to thank him for coming.

On Thursday, January 7, we saw a movie "Stamp Day for Superman," featuring Clark Kent and Lois Lane. Its purpose was to help boost our savings stamp sales.

Friday night, Jan. 8, the basketball teams and the cheerleaders traveled to Turner to play Leavitt Institute. The scores of these games were: Tigers, 48—Leavitt, 56; and Tigerettes, 48—Leavitt, 27.

On Friday night, Jan. 15, we travel to Canton.

Our March of Dimes campaign started this week.

We have two more cheerleaders added to our cheering squad. Here is the present list of cheerleaders: Charlotte Schultz, Sandra Martin, Leona LaValley, Louise LaValley, (Head Cheerleader), Pearl Farrington, and Adelaide Emery.

The annual meeting of the Oxford County Small Schools Public Speaking League will be held on January 18. Mrs. Herriek and Mr. Lago are Secretary and Vice President, respectively.

Those in our school that are going out for public speaking this year are: Shirley Crockett, Elaine Cushman, Caroline Dean, Adelaide Emery, Alicia Emery, Wallace Hussey, Annette Hiltunen, and Charlotte Schultz. Our coach is Mrs. Herriek.

PREDICT GOOD 1954 YEAR

—LOWER TAXES WILL HELP—

The year 1954 will be generally a good year for business with many opportunities to create new markets, it was reported today by the Maine State Chamber of Commerce.

In all probability defense spending will continue to decline as it has since the end of the Korean War, but tax reductions and tax eliminations will pump new money into business. Taxes on personal incomes dropped an average of 10 percent on December 31, and the so-called excess profits tax expired at the year end. During the year beginning next July, tax changes will add approximately \$7.5 billion to the buying power of American citizens at present levels of business. For the citizens of Maine this will mean an additional \$33 million of purchasing power by mid summer, the Chamber reported.

Another \$200 billion is already on tap nationally, as represented by savings and other liquid assets. Maine is in an enviable position in this respect. According to latest available figures released by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Maine stands 23rd in the nation in the amount of savings deposits in banks, while population-wise the state stands 35th in the list of states. Over \$486 million is on deposit in savings accounts in Maine banks. Consumers will spend some of it if they like what they see in the market place. In a word the customer should be in a better buying position in 1954.

Kilop The next meeting is to be held at the home of Bessie Andrews.

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— Mary O. Stanley, Corres. —

Frederick H. Stanley, who has been ill and under a doctor's care, is somewhat improved.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Davis closed their home Friday morning and left for a trip southward.

Ronald Stevens and Sarah Morgan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson and family at Bailey's Island.

The John and Tommy Kennahs were in South Paris Friday and Sunday evenings enjoying television at the homes of their son, Kenneth, and family, and their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard McAllister.

Little Lee Blake has a bad cold. I notice that Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Kimball have a new car.

MAGALLOWAY

— Mrs. Bessie Harvey, Corres. —

Miss Martha Bennett is not improving in health very rapidly but is some better.

Johnny Vaughn and Billy Hooper spent the week end with their grandfather, Ewen Cameron, at his camp. The boys live in Westbrook. Mr. Cameron caught a very large bobcat last week also several large beavers.

Cliff Wiggins is a little better at the Rumford Community Hospital but is still very ill.

Freeman Abbott went to Benton Station Saturday evening, returning Sunday night.

Kathy and Margot Harvey are ill with the chicken pox.

We have had very cold weather lately and a big snow-storm. Mr. and Mrs. Alton Foggy of Colebrook visited at Fred Bennett's.

WEST BETHEL

— Mrs. Ruth Gilbert, Corres. —

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Gilbert and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Gilbert were in Portland, Sunday. They called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parker.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Walker were at Newfield, Maine, last Thursday where they attended funeral services for Mrs. Christine Bury.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland Lovejoy and family, Manchester, Conn., were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lovejoy.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walker and Diana were at Shelburne, N. H., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Walker and family, Bethel, were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Walker, Sunday.

Miss Hilda Wild, Shelburne, N. H., spent Wednesday night and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Walker.

Charles Hancock and Henry Tibbets were in East Bethel, Thursday.

Mrs. Clayton Kendall and Mrs. Clarence Rolfe were in Lewiston, Thursday.

Bill Bryant, Magalloway, called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Kendall Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Byers were in Gorham, Monday.

Sunday afternoon.

Larry Parsons was at home ill with the "flu" last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Nat Leach were in Hanover, N. H., over the week end.

Mrs. Marie Littlehale is in Bryant Pond visiting her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Littlehale.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

— Mrs. C. James Knights, Corres. —

Mrs. Eva Poland recently visited relatives at Mexico.

George Davis returned home from the Rumford Hospital last week.

Mrs. Lee Billings is working part time for John McKeen.

Everett Cole and Mrs. Herman Cole were in Lewiston, Monday.

Mrs. Mary E. Knights is working at Mann's mill.

Herbert Noyes has gone to Florida.

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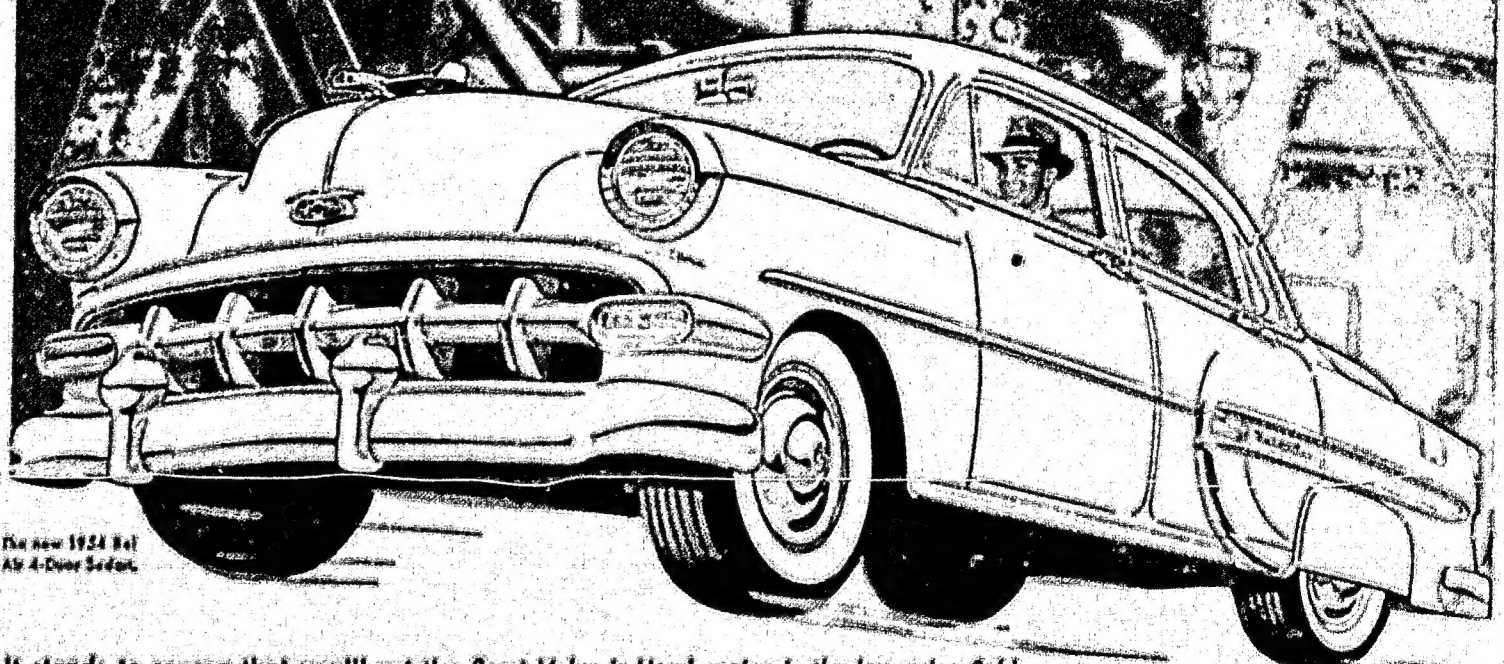
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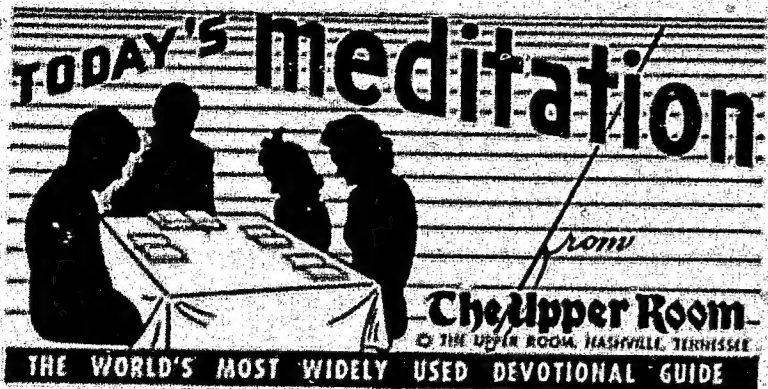
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Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me. (Matthew 25:40.) Read John 10:1-15.

One day an ill-clad man with a hand poorly bandaged called at our door. He told us a long and story about his hurt hand which kept him from being able to work. He asked for help. My father asked to see the injured hand and offered to dress it with a new bandage. This offer appeared to surprise the beggar. Suddenly he put both his hands to his face and broke into crying.

"What is wrong?" my father asked.

"Sir, I'm not hurt," he sobbed, "but this is the only way I can make people help me."

There are many beggars who play upon the sympathy of those they

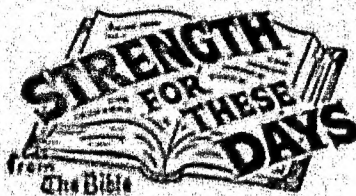
approach. As Christians, what are we to do? There are so many that need our help. We must try to give it constructively. This does not mean that we are merely to hand over money, but rather to give spiritual and moral help. Thus we show that there are those who care and that there are ways for each to help himself.

Prayer

Our Father, there is so much need in the world today. We ask Thee to help us to keep true to Thy teachings. Help us not to ignore even the least of our brethren but to help them in the spirit of Christlike kindness. In His name. Amen.

Thought For The Day

Christ's dying for man's salvation proves God's estimate of man's worth. —Martha Irene Goldschmidt (Uruguay)



The Lord is high unto all them that call upon Him, that call upon Him in truth. —(Psalm 145:18)

God is all around us, all-seeing, all-knowing. But having been given will-power, we must make the choice—we must make our prayer to Him if we would receive the blessing of His mercy and forgiveness, the wonder of His love.

Scarcity of skilled farm labor, increased use of machinery, and emphasis on grassland farming have helped bring about tremendous changes in methods and machinery for harvesting and storing roughage on Maine farms.

SOCIETY DIRECTORY

Mr. Abram Leder, No. 21, L. O. O. F. Meets Friday evenings. N. G. Shiley Chase, Secretary, Rodney Hanson.

Bundel Hebrew Lodge, No. 64. Meets first and third Monday evenings. N. G. Anne Cotton, Rec. Secretary, Hilda Donahue.

Purity Chapter, No. 102, O. E. S. Meets first Wednesday evenings. W. M. Helen Morton, Secretary, Ethel Blaine.

Pleasant Valley Grange, No. 134, West Bethel. Meets second and fourth Thursdays. Master, Chester Wheeler, Secretary, Lottie Hall.

Bethel Chapter of Commerce. Meets first Tuesdays. President, Ralph Young, Secretary, Henry Hastings.

W. R. C. S., Methodist Church. Meets first Thursday afternoons. President, Dorothy Chellis, Secretary, Doris Brown.

Blower Garden Guild. Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings. President, Margaret Davis, Secretary, Virginia Keniston.

Ladies Club, Congregational Church. Meets first and third Thursday afternoons. President, Pearl Godwin, Secretary, Mrs. Marie Nichols.

The Guild, Congregational Church. Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings. President, Mrs. Leola Marcus, Secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth Gilson.

Bethel Lodge, No. 97, F. & A. M. Meets second Thursday evenings. W. M. Henry Hastings, Secretary, Ernest Munn.

Bethel Lions Club. Meets second and fourth Mondays. President, Clifford Hillier, Secretary, J. Russell Graham.

Men's Brotherhood, Methodist Church. Meets last Tuesday evenings. President, Stanley Davis, Secretary, Donald Christie.

Parent Teacher Association. Meets third Tuesday evenings. President, Richard Carter, Secretary, Rita Davis.

Five Town Teachers' Club. Meets first Monday evening. President, Melva Willard, Secretary, Miriam McAllister.

Muskrat-Allen Post, No. 21, American Legion. Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings. Commander, Frank Nary, Adjutant, John Compass.

Muskrat-Allen Unit, No. 21, American Legion Auxiliary. Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings. President, Josephine Tripp, Secretary, Hilda Donahue.

Adler River Grange, No. 144, East Bethel. Meets first and third Friday evenings. Master, Louise Coolidge, Secretary, Margarette Bartlett.

Adler River Grange, No. 206, Newry Corner. Meets every other Saturday. Master, Owen Wright, Secretary, Ida Wright.

Bethel Flyers. Meets third Monday, 8 p. m. President, Francis Royce, Secretary, Sylvia Hock.

SPORTS FLASHES



Major Ball for Pacific Coast Will Be Costly

If and when the major leagues expand to the West Coast and take in Los Angeles, it will take a millionaire and not some shoe-string operator to run the club, judging from some figures cited in The Sporting News. The cost of building a new park is estimated at \$5,000,000 and the expense of actual operation will exceed \$1,700,000, according to a survey by Phil K. Wrigley, owner of the Chicago Cubs and the Los Angeles Angels.

The rub comes from the fact that a major league club in Los Angeles will not be "an overnight bonanza," unless it develops into an immediate contender. But, as Wrigley pointed out, it is likely the team will have to start out with "culls, mediocre players and undeveloped youngsters," and the process of building up will take "a lot of time and money."

Once the novelty of major league ball wears off and civic enthusiasm fades, promotion alone won't spin the turnstiles in Los Angeles, which is accustomed to "the use of flamboyant Hollywood techniques," the report added. "What would be startling and make a big splash in Cleveland would get yawns in Los Angeles."

That means the owner of a Los Angeles major league club can expect some lean years at the gate until he can produce a winner. Any millionaires interested?

Can Indiana Repeat as Cage Champions?

The hustling Hoosiers of Indiana, who won the Big Ten and National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball championships last season, are rated a good chance to win both titles again this year—unless history repeats itself.

The team that compiled a 23-7 record last season is back virtually intact, with Dick Farley, Charley Krank, Don Schlund, Burke Scott and Bob Leonard as starters and Lou Scott, Paul Poff, Phil Evers, Dick White and Jim Deakyne as reserves. In addition, several "hurry" sophomores are on hand to press the veterans for their jobs.

However, Coach Branch McCracken remembers what happened 13 years ago. In 1940, McCracken's Indiana club won the NCAA title, but when the team returned the next season, it failed even to win the Big Ten crown.

Dies and Data

The Detroit Tigers will take 10 pitchers to spring training and, from this number, Manager Fred Goetz expects to find some who don't throw a gopher ball. The Bengali hurlers yielded more home runs last season than any other staff in the American League serving up 154 round-trippers.... Ted Williams of the Red Sox, who hit .407 in 37 games after returning from Korea, increased his lifetime batting average to .347 to pull 2.5 points ahead of Stan Musial of the Cardinals. Musial's career mark dropped to .343 after The Man compiled an average of .337 last season.... The years may be creeping up on Phil Rizzuto, but the Yankees are five deep behind the Scooter in shortstop possibilities.

Manager Casey Stengel's roster includes Willie Miranda, Andy Carey, Jim Bredewer, Jerry Coleman, and Billy Martin, not to mention Mickey Vernon, who broke into organized ball as a shortstop.... Eddie Mathews, the home run king of the majors, also was the error champion, committing 30 miscues at third base.... Orestes Minoza, the White Sox speedster also is listed in the Department of Dubious Distinctions. He led the A. L. in stolen bases and, oddly enough, topped the circuit in grounding into double plays.

Mathews' Switch Is Outfield Predicted

Gus Bell of the Reds doesn't believe that Milwaukee landed Danny O'Connell from the Pirates for second base, as many think, reports Oscar Ruhl in The Sporting News. "It wouldn't surprise me if the Milwaukee bosses want to switch Ed Mathews from third base to the outfield and use O'Connell on third," Bell says. "Despite the way Mathews socked home runs and drove in runs for the Braves last season, Milwaukee 'wolves' frequently made life miserable for Ed because of his fielding at third base. If Ed can switch to the outfield and make the grade defensively, he'd likely be a more valuable player than at third base, where O'Connell is a real master. That, of course, wouldn't solve the club's so-called problem at second base, but that isn't such a pressing problem. Young Jack Dittmer came along pretty good there last season and could improve."

SUNDAY'S SERMON



Rev. Robert H. Harper

Jesus and Nicodemus: John 3:1-16

Golden Text: John 3:16

Nicodemus is known as the man who came to Jesus by night, and many have believed he was afraid to come by day. But later he cooperated with Joseph of Arimathea in laying the body of Jesus away.

Though one of the teachers of Israel, he was greatly in need of being taught. And he was humble enough to come to Jesus for instruction. He could not understand how a man could be born again. And there are many to the present time who have never learned the way and the how of the new birth.

A great preacher in London, hearing the celebrated young Summerfield preach, afterward asked the young man where he had been born. "In Dublin and in Liverpool," was the answer. "How can that be?" the great preacher asked. Summerfield replied with a question, in the words of Jesus in speaking to Nicodemus, "Art thou a master in Israel and knowest not these things?"

By faith in Christ, men may be born again and enter into new life for the soul. Reader, do you trust in Jesus as the savior of your soul? John Wesley was long without the assurance that he was the redeemed child of God, a new-born man. But in his memorable experience in the Aldersgate Street Church in London, as one was reading the Scripture, he felt his heart strangely warmed, and was given the assurance that God for Christ's sake had forgiven his sins and made him an heir of everlasting life. Let us find such an assurance through our faith in Jesus Christ, the Savior of men.

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UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Jenkins, Corres. — Mr. and Mrs. McFraser and two children of Milot are living with Mr. and Mrs. Roland Bernier and family for a while. He is going to work with Mr. Bernier in the woods. Armand Lavalley's home burned last Wednesday Jan. 8. Some of the household furniture was saved. Mrs. Pearl Weston of Rumford was guest of her mother, Mrs. Ben Barnett, over the week end. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jenkins and family arrived from Rumford Friday night to spend the week end here at their home. Mrs. Beatrice Jenkins and Mrs. Mae Goodrum attended the Extension Service training class at Bethel on Friday, Jan. 8. Ladies Aid met Tuesday afternoon at the home of Lila Barnett.

Resolve to be thyself and know, that he who finds himself, loses his misery. —Matthew Arnold.

NOTICE
The subscriber hereby gives notice that she has been duly appointed Exrx. of the Will of Arthur E. Richardson late of Bethel in the County of Oxford, deceased, without bond. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately. Kathryn H. Richardson, Nov. 17, 1953. Bethel, Maine 03-2

STATE OF MAINE
To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said December. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered: That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of January A. D. 1954, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Erwin M. Hutchinson, late of Bethel, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Irene B. Hutchinson or some other suitable person as administratrix of the estate of said deceased, without bond, presented by Irene B. Hutchinson, widow.

Betsy B. Morrill, late of Mason Township, deceased; First and Final Account presented for allowance by Myron E. Morrill, Administrator.

Frances M. Davis, of Newry, ward, first and final account presented for allowance by Leslie E. Davis, guardian.

Sumner P. Davis, late of Newry, deceased; First and final account presented for allowance by Leslie E. Davis, administrator.

Clayton W. Bailey, late of Paris, deceased; Petition for the appointment of Walter W. Bailey or some other suitable person as administrator of estate of said deceased, with bond, presented by Walter W. Bailey, son and heir-at-law.

Witness: Shelton C. Noyes, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

2 EARLE H. CLIFFORD, Register.

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Corres. — Clifford McAllister resumed his duties at the E. L. Tobbe's mill last week after being confined by illness for the past two months. John Hatfield fractured a bone in a finger of his right hand recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Birney of Frye were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Ford.

Dwight Mills has been ill with tonsillitis.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Adams and family of North Lovell visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Andrews and Judith Andrews.

Several television sets have been installed in the village. Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Mills of Norway visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Mills and family.

The Community Club met at the Legion Rooms Tuesday evening. The following officers have been elected: Mrs. Bertha Davis, president; Mrs. Stella Howe, Vice President; Mrs. Mary Mills, secretary; Mrs. Ruth King, treasurer. Refreshments consisted of a tasty party. A television set was temporarily installed for entertainment.

WATERFORD

Mrs. Kathleen O'Leary, Corres. — We are very happy to report that Clyde and Emma Ford have returned to their home in North Waterford after being in California several months where Mr. Ford underwent treatment for serious illness. Their daughter, Mary, from the University of Maine, spent the week end with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weymouth took their son, Wesley, to Lewiston Monday to an eye doctor.

The Rug Club met with Charlotte Fillebrown on Tuesday. Wednesday was Extension Service with Mary Fillebrown and Elaine Morse in charge of the Luncheon. Wednesday evening, Parent Teachers meeting at Memorial School. Slippery and the 3 R's was the program followed by a lunch with Alice Rounds, Mary Fillebrown and Kay O'Leary as hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pike and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weymouth were callers at the Henry Sandersons, Sunday evening.

Jean Hubbard is at Brewer with her sister, Mary Flynn helping with the housework as Mary cut her hand quite bad recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Weymouth, Greg and Wes, had dinner Friday evening with the O'Learys.

Our sympathy is with the Barry Brown family in the loss of their dear one, Mrs. Maude Brown. She has been very active in North Waterford, the School and Oxford County and will be greatly missed.

Look not mournfully to the past — it comes not back again; wisely improve the present — it is thine; go forth to meet the shadowy future without fear, and with a manly heart. —Longfellow

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Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Corres. — The Sunday evening Vesper Services are proving very successful. The meeting this week was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Spinnay with an attendance of 13. The next service will be held with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball.

The Pilgrim Fellowship held a meeting at the Church vestry Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews called on Mr. and Mrs. Walton Corbett at South Paris Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Briggs were at their camp Sunday.

Recent callers at Harlan Bumpus were: Rev. Herbert Houghton, Fred Lawler, Rev. W. I. Bull, Alfred Leighton and son, Alfred, Jr., George Logan, Howard Lapham, and John Spinnay.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Andrews and sons, Linwood and Wayne, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Albert McAllister at Lovell.

SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres. — Leon Enman and son, Walter, were in town breaking the roads two days last week.

Royal Reynolds brought his tractor out of Ketchum Sunday.

Mrs. Bertha Bean will have the Extension group Tuesday for the day.

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meeting of Color in the Home. David Fleet attended a birthday party for Richard Quofrio Sunday.

Many birds are beginning to come to the feeding boxes. Read the Classified ads — page 8

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\$4.95 Wool Cardigans	\$4.45
\$5.95 Wool or Nylon Cardigans	\$5.35
\$6.95 Orlon Cardigans	\$6.25

WOMEN'S & CHILDREN'S NIGHTWEAR

Value Price	Sale Price
\$1.95 Children's flannel pajamas	\$1.79
\$1.95 Women's flannel nightgowns	\$1.79
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After you pan-broil hamburgers, add to the drippings 2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce and ¼ tea-

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Spanish Beef Salad

(Serves 6)

6 slices cold roast beef
Tomato French Dressing
1 head of lettuce, shredded
6 thick slices tomato
6 onion slices
6 green pepper rings
Cut roast beef into long narrow strips. Marinate in dressing for an hour. Toss in salad bowl with lettuce and additional dressing. Border bowl with alternating slices of tomato, onion and green pepper.

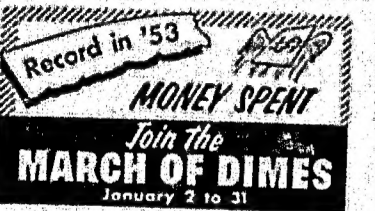
Spoon dry mustard. Spoon this sauce over the hamburgers.

Try spiced fruit for dessert: cook one pound dried apricots as directed; 10 minutes before done, add ¼ cup brown sugar, 5 whole cloves and 2" stick cinnamon. Cover; chill overnight. Serve with cream.

This is the season for mulled drinks. Combine equal parts of apple cider and apricot whole fruit nectar; heat with a few allspice and cloves and serve at once.

Use this as a topping for coffee cake before baking: combine ¼ cup honey, with an equal amount of sugar, butter and flour. Add ½ cup cut-up walnuts or roasted almonds.

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EAST BETHEL

— Mrs. David S. Foster, Corres. —

The Early Risers 4-H Club held a judging contest on Kinds of Wood at their regular meeting at the home of their leader, Mrs. Gladys Tyler. Merle Newton was first; John Foster, second, and Robert Cooldage, third. The mystery package was won by Robert Cooldage.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Smith and sons, Charles and Ronnie, were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Foster, Friday.

Mrs. Gordon Coffin of South Paris visited her mother, Mrs. Maggie Newton, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bourne and sons of Ogunquit were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Urban Bartlett.

Mrs. Marguerite Bartlett attended the Pythian Sisters Home Association held at the Columbia Hotel in Portland, Monday.

Miss Shirley Bartlett was guest speaker at the supper and parents' meeting of the Happy Herdsmen 4-H Club at the Legion Rooms in Bethel, Wednesday, Jan. 13. Her subject was "My Trip to Washington."

Mrs. Ruth Hastings is feeling slightly better after an operation at the CMG Hospital recently. Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Howe, Mrs. Barbara Honkala, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings visited her there last week end.

Miss Mabel Abbott and Mrs. Florence Hastings attended the training class in Vegetable Varieties at the Home Ec cottage on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hastings, Mrs. Rudolph Honkala, and Miss Dorothy Bartlett attended the track meet between the University of Maine and Bates College at Bates College, Lewiston, last week end.

Edward Hastings was home over the week end from his studies at the University of New Hampshire.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll McKenna of Riddellville were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Swan.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Thurlow of Riddellville, and Mrs. Madelyn Austin of Ellsworth were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Curtis last week end.

Mrs. Florence Curtis visited her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Peary of Rumford Corner, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Peary entered the Rumford hospital for observation and X-rays, Wednesday.

Miss Clara Foster was home from her work in Bethel Monday and on Tuesday went to Berlin with Miss Alice Farnum of Bryant Pond, to do some shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. David Foster and Lawrence Crockett went to South Paris Monday.

GILEAD

— Mrs. Florence Holder, Corres. —

Miss Jane Annis has returned to Hartford, Conn., after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Annis.

Pfc Ronald Hennen, and Cpl Elmer Bean Jr. of Fort Lee, Virginia, are spending a 14-day leave with Mr. Bean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bean.

Pvt Leon Tyler Jr. has returned to the Gary Air Base, Marcus, Texas, after a furlough spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Tyler.

Mrs. Florence Holder and family were holiday guests of her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richardson, in Monmouth.

Miss May Potter and Pat Donnelly of Lynn, Mass., and Albert Doll of Portsmouth, N. H., were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Bean.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bernard are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son born Dec. 22, at the Augusta General Hospital.

WEST PARIS

— Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Corres. —

First Universalist Church, Rev. Earle W. Dolphin, ministers: Church School at 9:30; Morning Worship, 10:30; Sermon, "Memo to Myself."

Last Monday evening's Parish Supper was well attended considering the heavy snow storm. The annual Parish meeting followed which will be reported next week but was thought to be very successful.

Sunday evening the Youth Fellowship entertained the Norway Young People. Wednesday evening the Good Will Society held their annual meeting at the Manse.

Miss Joan Ellingwood and James Young, both of West Paris, were married at West Paris, Jan. 1, by Rev. Earle W. Dolphin. The young people were nicely remembered with a shower at the Legion Hall, Monday evening.

Ellas Keniston has returned to the hospital at Togus for further treatment.

Mrs. Dora Emery is at Norway with her sister, Mrs. Laura Dinamore.

After the long stretch of nice weather it seems pretty hard for people to endure the snow storms and cold weather, but we are Maine people and must expect some inclement winter weather.

Mrs. Alice Churchhill has been quite ill with the flu.

Mumps have made their appearance in some of the school departments. It is a bad time of year to have diseases and it is hoped that

Dimes, Friends Aid 4 in Family Felled by Polio

A Kansas farmer has discovered that a good neighbor in time of need is more valuable than silver and gold.

Robert Stahl and his family were saved from heartache and tragedy by the action of good neighbors.

Stahl, his wife and four children were busy on their 127-acre farm near Wichita, Kans., last summer—getting seed for the fall harvesting when polio struck.

First, little 3-year-old Troy came down with the disease. Then Ronald, who is 10, contracted polio. A few days later, Charles, 12, and Patsey, 14, also went on the sick list.

Finally, Mrs. Stahl herself was afflicted.

The whole family was moved to St. Francis hospital, Wichita, leaving Stahl alone on his farm.

For a while, he didn't know what to do. The financial burden had been lifted through March of Dimes funds but the burden of work remained.

Then his neighbors volunteered to take over his farm until the family was out of danger.

His neighbors pitched in and Stahl went back to his farm. He kept a vigil at the bedside of his wife and children.

With the continued help of that other good neighbor, the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, the family began to improve.

Stahl went back to his farm, his family was being cared for. His neighbors had done a wonderful job of keeping things going on the farm. So he was able to carry on.

Today, Mrs. Stahl and three of the children are fully recovered. Charles, the 12-year-old, still has one partially paralyzed leg but Mrs. Stahl hopes he too will soon be well.

"Then maybe," she said, "it'll all seem like just a bad dream." The National Foundation hopes so, too. That's why it has launched a huge polio prevention program involving gamma globulin and a trial vaccine. If the program succeeds, families like the Stahls may be free of the polio threat forever.

all who have been exposed will remain at home and not spread it which is also best for those liable to have them.

Rev. Earle W. Dolphin has been teaching at South Paris high school for about two weeks.

Mrs. Nina Steeves of Scarborough, Maine, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Damon.

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ALBANY - WATERFORD

— Lillian L. Brown, Corres. —

Dwight Grover will start this week with a crew operating at both mills.

Wendell Barker of Norway was in this place recently on business.

Ernest Grover visited Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brown one afternoon recently. Mr. Grover has a new power saw which he recently purchased in Bethel.

Maud (Dresser) Brown, wife of Harry Brown, died January 8, at the CMG Hospital, Lewiston, where she had been a patient the past few weeks. Mrs. Brown was born at Albany the daughter of P. Parker and Mary Dresser. She is survived by her husband, two sons, Earl D. and Raynor K., several grandchildren, all of Waterford. She will be greatly missed in the community.

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Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO

The Bethel Parent-Teacher Association announced an enrollment of 115 members.

Maine seed potatoes were in great demand from other states.

There was a snowfall of about 20 inches in a two day storm.

At the annual meeting of the WSCS it was reported by the treasurer that over \$500 had been earned by the society during the year just past.

The Mark Swan place at the foot of Mill Hill was razed by a crew of Bethel Inn employees.

20 YEARS AGO

Forty persons were employed in CWA work in Bethel.

The Oxford County Schoolmasters' Association held a meeting at Maple Inn. Twenty-seven members were in attendance.

A dry pipe sprinkler system was installed at the William Bingham Gymnasium. James Walker of Providence, R. I., was in charge of the work for the Grinnell Company.

Farmers at Milton were harvesting ice from a pond created by beavers.

Deaths: Fred Robert York, Fred Cash, Mrs. Ellen L. Damon.

40 YEARS AGO

The Locke Mountain House and Farm, for thirty years a favorite resort for summer boarders was offered for sale.

State highway "S" Gray to Bethel, running through Poland, Mechanic Falls, Oxford, Norway, Paris, Woodstock and Bethel was one decision given out by the state highway commission.

Deaths: Alfred M. True, Grace A. Kendall, Mrs. George J. Hapgood.

50 YEARS AGO

Local telephone lines were constructed from the Greenwood and Rumford lines to Bethel and Mason.

People in the village and outside were putting in instruments.

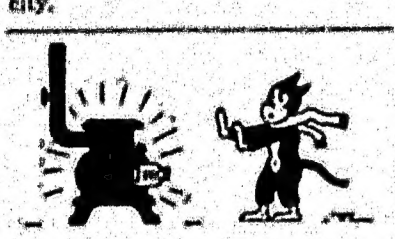
A meeting was held at the News office in regards to a movement on foot to light the village by electricity.

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BETHEL AND VICINITY

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Mrs. Jeanette Trefethen has returned from Florida, where she accompanied Karl Stearns and Miss Gwyn Stearns.

The Lions Club met at the Legion Home Monday evening, with Ben Curtis of the Farm Extension Administration, South Paris, as speaker. His subject was Loans to Farmers and Home Owners.

A special meeting of the Bethel Evening Extension Group was held at the home of Mrs. Abbie Brown Tuesday evening, with 14 members present. Leathercraft was the subject and Mrs. Elmore Clough instructed the group in making bill-folds.

On Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Gould Academy Music Room there will be a musical program by the piano pupils of Mrs. Theodore Emery. All interested relatives and friends are cordially invited.

At the stated meeting of Purly Chapter, OES, held Wednesday, Jan. 6, at was voted to commemorate their Golden Anniversary, Saturday evening, June 5th, in our Maconic Hall. The meeting was preceded by a ham supper served by Cynthia Mason, Marguerite Clark, Patricia Bennett, Mary Keoske, and Elsie Waldron. After the meeting an old-fashioned spelling bee was held.

The Bethel Auxiliary of Rumford Community Hospital met last Friday evening at the home of the president, Mrs. W. H. Boynton. Eighteen members were present.

Mrs. Leon Wilson was elected sewing chairman, and Mrs. Dana Brooks was elected hospital fair chairman. A membership committee was appointed, consisting of Mrs. Dale Thurston, Mrs. Donald Christie and Mrs. Francis Noyes. Yarn for knitting children's and babies' garments for the fair was distributed. More yarn may be obtained from Mrs. Wallace Saunders. Plans were made for a silver tea at the home of Mrs. Dana Douglas Jr. Feb. 10 from 3 to 5 p. m.

The WSCS met Thursday afternoon, Jan. 7, at the home of Mrs. Elsie Poore with 22 members present. Devotions were led by Mrs. Jean Smith. It was announced that yearly subscriptions are being taken for Ideal Magazine. It was voted to add equipment to the kitchen and dining room. The birthday barrel was opened at this meeting and \$15.03 was realized. Twenty-one sick calls were reported for December.

Mrs. S. B. Greenleaf reported that contacts were made to all the boys of the church in the service at Christmas. Plans were made for a food sale, Jan. 23, at the church. It was reported that 16 Christmas baskets and some plants were sent to shut-ins at Christmas time. Following the business meeting, Mrs. Donald Christie gave a book review on "The Character of the Twelve Apostles." She reviewed two of the sermons from "Mr. Jones, Meet the Master."

LEGION CHAPLAINS PLAN "BACK TO GOD" PROGRAM

Department Chaplain Reverend George H. Wood of Rockland is attending a conference of Department Chaplains of the Legion in Indianapolis. The chaplains from all the states are meeting to further the nationwide "Back to God" program of the Legion. Chaplain Wood is a Lieutenant Commander in the Chaplain Corps of the U. S. Navy Reserve and had two years of overseas combat area service during World War Two and also holds the Naval Reserve ten-year ribbon. He is also Post Chaplain in Rockland and Knox County Council Chaplain.

VARIED PROGRAM PLANNED FOR FARM AND HOME WEEK

People attending the forthcoming Farm and Home Week April 5 through April 8 will be assured of much information on a wide variety of subjects.

This prediction was made by Prof. Herbert A. Leonard, chairman of the committee arranging this annual event. Leonard said program plans thus far had progressed to the point of assigning specific topics to the three days — Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The 4th annual Farm and Home Week opens Monday afternoon April 5 with registration, room assignments, and an evening of entertainment and speakers.

Tuesday will feature programs devoted to turkey growers, home and market gardeners, beekeepers, forage and small grain growers, sheep and beef raisers, and orchardists. Various topics of interest to homemakers will be in each day's program Tuesday through Thursday.

On Wednesday interest will be focused on dairy herd management, processing traps, forestry, poultry, and a continuation of orchard meetings from Tuesday.

Subjects highlighting Thursday's program will be potatoes, small fruits, blueberries, goats, and livestock breeds.

Various groups meeting throughout the week at the University of Maine, Prof. Leonard said, will add to the wide selection of interest in farm, home, and community nature.

GOULD ACADEMY

SAINTS TAKE GOULD 62-40

Gould Academy ran into a really hot, sharpshooting foe, in St. Patrick's, last Tuesday and went down to their first defeat of the season.

It was a fast, hard fought game throughout. The Huskies rallied in the third period to come within 3 points of tying the score but then fell apart for the first time this season.

The Saints are an all senior veteran group with a great center in Leo Donaldson, who scored 24 points. A Roy and Laurence Donaldson scored in double figures with 13 and 10 points. For the Huskies, Fossett collected 20 points but had little assistance from the scoring end.

The Gould J.V.s dropped a thriller in the preliminary 49-47.

Summary:

	G	S	P
Fossett	6	8	20
M. White	3	0	6
Melville	1	4	6
G. White	3	2	8
Roy	2	1	5
Lord	0	1	1
Totals	15	16	40

	G	S	P
St. Pat's	6	2	8
Fortuna	3	2	8
R. Donaldson	5	0	14
L. Donaldson	9	0	24
Rano	2	0	4
A. Roy	5	3	13
M. Roy	0	3	3
Totals	34	14	62

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MAINE'S EXHIBIT BEING READIED FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK SPORTS SHOWS

Kilr Beck, artistic and mechanical genius, is outdoing himself in the construction of Maine's annual exhibit for Boston and New York sports shows in February.

Approximately 100 feet long by 18 feet deep, this year's display will feature a huge, realistic waterfall. From 16 to 18 thousand gallons of water an hour will spill over the falls. A cleverly placed spotlight, shining through a circle of colors, will produce a beautiful rainbow in the mist of the falls. One end of the rainbow will lie across a string of freshly-caught rainbow trout.

To the right of the falls, as one faces the exhibit, will be a large pool, containing 50 landlocked salmon and trout. Some of the fish will weigh from five to seven pounds apiece, the heaviest ever displayed by Maine at the shows.

In back of the tree-flanked pool, a stream will flow. Making a slow circle of this stream, a perfectly executed miniature birch bark canoe will be paddled by a Maine Indian guide. In the bow, an angler

casts a fly toward the rippling shoreline and halfway around the circuit he hooks and loses a leaping fish. His excitement causes his hat to fly off. The effect is one of mechanical wizardry and those who have seen it declare "the old master" (Beck) proves with his device that he is at the peak of his interesting career.

Maine's information booth will be located on the end of the exhibit and will be staffed by Fish and Game Wardens and personnel from the Maine Publicity Bureau in Portland.

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